

Democratic Watchman.

Bellefonte, Pa., September 5, 1890.

How Gold is Shipped.

When one recalls the fact that millions upon millions of dollars in gold annually seek Europe to provide for the necessities of our import trade, the question of how gold is shipped to Europe becomes an interesting one. The Bank of America is the largest shipper of gold from New York, and indeed from the United States. Shipments are made in stout kegs, very much like the ordinary beer keg. Every one contains \$50,000 in gold or bar gold. The latter is the favorite for these shipments, since the government permits the sub-treasurer to exchange coin for bar gold, as coin, a single million dollar shipment is liable to loss by abrasion of from eight to twenty ounces, or from \$128 to \$220; while the bars only lose about three-fourths of that value. Where coin is sent double eagles are preferred. They are put in stout canvas bags, each one containing 125 double eagles, or \$5,000; and ten bags fill each keg. About the only precaution taken against tampering with kegs, is a treatment of the keg ends technically known as "red taping." Four holes are bored at equal intervals in the projecting rim of the staves above the head. Red tape is run through these, crossing on the keg's head, the ends meeting at the centre, where they are sealed to the head by the hardest wax, and stamped with the consignor's name. The average insurance is about \$1,500 per \$1,000,000. Then there is an expense of about \$2 per keg for packing and cartage aboard ship, or \$200 for the same sum and the inevitable loss by abrasion, whatever it may prove to be. There are great Wall Street firms shipping from \$25,000,000 to \$40,000,000 annually. Some of these have for years insured themselves, and assert that the saving has been sufficient to replace a loss of \$1,000,000. These are large figures, but this has become a country of large figures and affairs.—*American Banker.*

The Value of Oysters.

The Maryland Oyster Commission has been examining the oyster-beds of that State, and find the possible wealth in them far greater than has ever been imagined.

Maryland leads the Union in the production of oysters, yet the industry is declared to be undeveloped even there and awaiting more systematic methods. The thousands of acres suitable for oysters in Chesapeake Bay can be made more valuable and productive than any acre of any truck farm in the State.

The area of oyster-beds in Maryland is over 125,520 acres, or 193 square miles, but it is only a small proportion of the land suitable for such purposes. The commission finds at least a thousand acres adapted for oyster planting. Much of this ground yields, if properly cultivated, an annual oyster crop of fully \$1,000 per acre, and the minimum profit of the entire district, under any system of cultivation, would be \$100 per acre, or \$64,000,000 annually for the entire oyster district.

Rhode Island, which has a very small oyster area, is getting from \$500 to \$600 an acre from it.

Next to Maryland, no State in the Union has finer opportunities for oyster culture than Louisiana, which, in its numerous bays and so-called lakes, has an area suitable to this industry even greater than Maryland.—*New Orleans Times-Democrat.*

Annihilating a Rat.

Every Boy Struck at the Rodent and Hit Every Thing Else.

Two or three mornings ago a boy brought out a rat in a trap on the asphalt pavement of Cass avenue. A terrier dog was leaping and dancing around him, and before he reached the middle of the street a dozen men and boys and two or three more dogs had stopped to see the fun. The boy looked at it he knew enough to manage a rat, but there is always a boss for every such occasion. In this case it was a short, fat man with a very big cane, and he took the trap from the boy and said:

"These things must be managed right or away goes the rat. Now then, every body get a stick or club or something, and call up them dogs."

Every body armed himself and a circle was formed, while no less than five dogs were inclosed. The man held the trap up, looked around to see if every thing was all right, and said:

"Now, then, the rat will be turned loose on the community."

So he was, and there was a rush of men, boys and dogs. Every body struck at the rat and hit every thing else, while the dogs made one grab for him and then bunched together in a fight. Three hats were knocked off, two boys sat down on the pavement to howl, and the rat dodged about and ran under the side walk. When he had gone the fat man stood puffing, a broken cane in his hand and his hat on the ground, and finally managed to say:

"H—ang it! You—you fellows don't know 'nuff to pound sand!"

"You are a liar!" yelled four or five voices in chorus, and after every body had spit on his hands and said he could knock every body else's head off the convention broke up and left the empty trap in the middle of the street.—*Trois Free Press.*

A SHAME.—First Street Fakir—It's a shame Bill, to think that any one would swindle a poor, hard-working man that way.

Second Street Fakir—Why, what's the trouble?

First Street Fakir—Here I worked hard for half a day, painting up a sparrow into a red-headed Belgian canary, and I'm blowed if the fellow I sold it to didn't give me a counterfitted five-dollar bill for it.—*Light.*

Profit in Sheep.

A Leaf from the Experience of a Dakota Farmer.

As an illustration of the profit in sheep raising the subjoined statement is made. Ben Holcomb, residing four miles east of Carrington, is one of the most practical farmers in Foster county. He has a quarter section of pasture land and a half section of farming land all under cultivation. He has tried wheat raising and stock raising, and his experience is worthy of thoughtful consideration by farmers.

In December, 1887, he bought in Wisconsin 250 head of sheep. From this flock he sheared in 1888, 1,700 pounds of wool; in 1889, 2,500 pounds, and in 1890 over 2,570 pounds. The wool clip for 1888 and 1889 brought him \$700, that of this year is estimated to be worth \$450, making a total of \$1,150 realized from the wool clip. In addition he has sold 205 head and slaughtered for his own use 25 head. The above shows how remunerative his original investment of \$625 has become. He has sold wool and sheep from the original flock and increase which brought him nearly \$2,000 in less than two years. But this does not tell all of the story. His original flock of 250 has now increased to 324 sheep and 110 lambs.

In regard to the expense of keeping sheep Mr. Holcomb says: They practically cost me nothing. My boy and dog did the herding and I raised my own feed. I feed out straw mostly. They thrive on this. In the winter I feed a little millet and barley. Sheep do not waste their feed like a horse, which has to have its oat bag tied on its head. Once you will eat as much as seven sheep and required as much care as twenty.

Mr. Holcomb is of the opinion that twenty-five acres of wheat require more work than his whole flock of sheep, and said his four head of horses and two cows made him more trouble last winter than the sheep. The cost of shearing is insignificant. William Walker, who has sheared all over this county, clipped his flock at eight cents per head. He sheared thirty-four head a day and made good wages at that price. In 1888 Mr. Holcomb received sixteen cents per pound; in 1889, eighteen cents.

Mr. Griffin reports Mr. Holcomb as follows: When I came to Dakota I thought the money was in farming, now have half a section under cultivation and a quarter section of pasture land. At present I am so strongly of the opinion that the money is in the pasture land that I am willing to rent my farm on easy terms and turn my attention exclusively to sheep.

Knocked Out Again.

A Detroit boy who sells a patent well-pump throughout the State was in one of the Southern counties a few days ago, and driving up to a large, fine farmhouse he said to the owner, who stood at the gate:

"I've got the best pump here in the world."

"Yes," was the calm reply.

"I want to put one in your well."

"Yes."

"I'll let you have it on two weeks' trial, and pay you half price for your old one."

"Of course not."

"Then you had better go on."

"Why, haven't you got a well?"

"Nary well. We got water from the spring down there, half a mile away. I've lived here twenty-nine years, and allus meant to dig a well, but just about the time I get ready 'long comes some jack and hollers 'pump' 'I and makes me mad and I give up. Drive on, stranger."

"—you've knocked me out of another year."

NOT A PROPER QUESTION.—School-boy (pointing over his lesson)—Father, what language do they speak in Chili?

Father—H'm! The language spoken in Chili, my son, is—er language spoken—er—in Chili is—do you find that question in the book you are studying, my son?

School-boy—No, but I thought I'd like to know.

Father (severely)—Then don't ask it, my son. If it isn't in the book it isn't proper for you to know.

A CHEER SUBSTITUTE.—Wife—Well, what do you think Johnny wants now?

Husband—I have no idea.

Wife—He wants me to tease you into buying him a new bicycle.

Husband (who has tried bicycling himself)—Nonsense, he can't have one.

Tell him to go up into the attic and fall down two flights of stairs. It will be just about the same thing, and save me a hundred dollars.

BEEF SUGAR.—There are at present 1300 beet sugar factories in Europe, and they consume 24,000,000 tons of beets every year. Their annual output of sugar amounts to 2,000,000 tons. It is said that over \$80,000,000 are expended for labor and fuel, and that \$100,000,000 are paid to farmers for beets. These figures are probably too high, but they serve to throw light upon the magnitude and importance of the industry.

"Don't you know, Milly, that it is ill-mannered to turn around to look at a gentleman?"

"Mother, I only turned around to see if he turned around to see if I looked at him."

"The Dominion Government is sending out an expedition far north into the frozen regions, where there is said to be evidence of immense deposits of oil. It is said that the largest oil bearing district in the world is in Northern British America, and covers 150,000 square miles. Some of the lakes and rivers in the North are covered with this oil to a depth of several inches.

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MILLIONAIRES OF ANCIENT TIMES.—The sacred writings tell us that Solomon was immensely rich; that silver was abundant in Jerusalem; and that in one year the King received from Hiram 300 talents of gold, equal to \$10,250,000. It is known that in Assyria there were large masses of gold, and that Darius received in tribute from Persia as much as \$16,250,000. In Greece, the wealth of Croesus was estimated at \$15,000,000, and that of Ptolemy as large a sum. At Rome, Tiberius, it is said, left a legacy of \$110,000,000, and Augustus obtained by testamentary dispositions \$160,000,000.—*Dry Goods Chronicle.*

Perhaps no local disease has puzzled and baffled the medical profession more than nasal catarrh. While not immediately fatal it is the most distressing and disgusting ailment which afflicts the human race, and the records show very few cases of radical cure of chronic catarrh by any of the multitude of modes of treatment until the introduction of Ely's Cream Balm a few years ago. The success of this preparation has been most gratifying and surprising.

Soft waters should be used in cooking vegetables, and the only way city folks can soften water is to add a little salt to it. Six or eight potatoes will need a teaspoonful of salt to the water; turnips and parsnips require about the same, that is, a teaspoonful of salt to a quart of water. If any skum should happen to rise to the surface when the vegetables are boiling, it must be carefully skimmed off.

WISHED HE HADN'T SAID IT.—"So you've got married, old man, while I have been away?"

"Yes."

"Well, I congratulate you on having shaken off that dragon of a house-keeper of yours at last."

"Oh, don't make a mistake, dear boy, she's the woman I've married!"

Chatter.

The population of Bellefonte is about 4075, and we would say at least one-half are troubled with some affection of the Throat and Lungs, as those complaints are, according to statistics, more numerous than others. We would advise all our readers not to neglect the opportunity to call on their druggists and get a bottle of Kemp's Balsam for the Throat and Lungs. Trial Size free. Large Bottle 50 cents and \$1. Sold by all druggists.

There are some philosophers who maintain that longevity is becoming more general than it was, even forty years ago. There is no doubt but that during the first few centuries of the Christian era, the average duration of life in the most favored classes was thirty years, while in the present century the average age of the same classes is fifty years.

The whitish, vapory belt popularly known as the "milky way," is a mass of many millions of stars, the mingled light of which makes a bright belt.

LOVE AND BUSINESS.—Ethel—"Did Harry seem very much put out when you told him you didn't love him well enough to marry him?"

Agnes—"No, the brute. He merely said, 'well, business is business,' and left the house."

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Leave Bellefonte, 10:25 a. m., arrive at Tyone, 11:55 a. m., at Altoona, 1:45 p. m., at Pittsburg, 6:50 p. m.

Leave Bellefonte, 5:20 p. m., arrive at Tyone, 6:40 a. m., at Altoona, 7:50 a. m., at Philadelphia, 1:25 p. m.

Leave Bellefonte, 10:25 a. m., arrive at Tyone, 11:55 a. m., at Harrisburg, 3:20 p. m., at Philadelphia, 6:50 p. m.

Leave Bellefonte, 5:20 p. m., arrive at Tyone, 6:40 a. m., at Harrisburg, 10:45 p. m., at Philadelphia, 4:25 a. m.

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